

REMARKS

Summary Of The Office Action

Claims 18, 21, and 23 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C § 102(b) as being anticipated by Kimura (JP 2000-193936).

Claims 6 and 14 are objected to under 37 C.F.R. § 1.75(a).

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication that claims 9 and 12 are allowed.

In addition, Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication that claims 6, 8, 14, 16, 17, 19, and 20 contain allowable subject matter.

Summary of the Response to the Office Action

Applicant has amended claims 6, 14, 18, and 19. Accordingly, claims 6, 8, 9, 12, 14, 16, 18-21 and 23 are presently pending for consideration.

Claims Objections

Claims 6 and 14 are objected to under 37 C.F.R. § 1.75(a). Specifically, claim 6 is objected to for an apparent lack of clarity. Consequently, Applicant has amended claim 6 in accordance with the Examiner's suggestions. Thus, Applicant respectfully asserts that claim 6, as amended, particularly points out and distinctly claims the subject matter which the applicant regards as the invention, and thus, complies with the requirements under 37 C.F.R. § 1.75(a).

With regard to claim 14, the Office Action alleges that "device," at the last line of claim 14, should be replaced with --panel-- "so as to make the claimed invention consistent with the disclosure, because gamma voltages and common voltages are generated inside the LCD device," (emphasis in original). Accordingly, Applicant has amended claim 14 in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion.

For at least the reasons above, Applicant respectfully asserts that claims 6 and 14, as presently amended, comply with the requirements under 37 C.F.R. § 1.75(a), as well as 35 U.S.C. § 112. Thus, Applicant respectfully requests that the objections to claims 6 and 14 be withdrawn.

All Claims Define Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 18, 21, and 23 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C § 102(b) as being anticipated by Kimura (JP 2000-193936). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection on grounds that the applied prior art reference fails to teach or suggest the combination of features recited by independent claim 18, as amended, and hence dependent claims 19-21 and 23.

Independent claim 18 has been amended to incorporate the allowable features of claim 19. Specifically, independent claim 18 has been amended to recite, in part, “a first power unit to receive the first voltage and output a first common voltage *and a first gamma voltage* when the first voltage is selected by the switch,” and “a second power unit to receive the second voltage and output a second common voltage *and a second gamma voltage* when the second voltage is selected by the switch.” Accordingly, Applicant respectfully asserts that independent claim 18, as amended, recites the allowable subject matter of originally-filed claim 19. Thus, Applicant respectfully asserts that all claims are now in condition for allowance.


CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and timely allowance of the pending claims. Should the Examiner believe that there are any issues outstanding after consideration of this response, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned representative to expedite prosecution.

If there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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